**Historic, Archive Document**

Do not assume content reflects current scientific knowledge, policies, or practices.

1.9
Ec731C
Reserve

LIBRARY
RECEIVED
★ OCT 3
U. S. Department of

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Bureau of Agricultural Economics
Division of Information

-----0-----

# CHECK LIST

# OF

# STANDARDS FOR FARM PRODUCTS

# FORMULATED BY THE

# BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS.

-----0-----

Washington, D. C.
October 1926.

A MANDATORY STANDARD may be defined as an officcial standard the use of which is compulsory in the conditions specified by the law under which that standard is promuligated; for instance, the Official Grain Standards of the United States for wheat are compulsory for grain shipped by grade in interstate commerce, according to the U. S. Grain Standards Act.

A PERMISSIVE STANDARD as here used may be defined as a standard which has been worked out and recommended officially for optional use. Such permissive standards are used by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in such lines of work as inspection and market news. Permissive standards are often adopted by States as mandatory under certain conditions.

A TENTATIVE STANDARD as here used may be defined as a standard that is still subject to investigation by the Department of Agriculture, that is offered for use under commercial conditions to test its practicability or as a basis for discussion. Such a tentative standard may later become either a permissive or a mandatory standard, according to circumstances.

# CHECK LIST OF STANDARDS FOR FARM PRODUCTS FORMULATED BY THE BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

(Revised to October, 1926)

## Mandatory Standards

### Under U. S. Cotton Futures Act and U. S. Cotton Standards Act:

Cotton:

American Upland:

White grades. Promulgated 1914; revised 1923; partially rev. 1924.

Yellow tinged, yellow stained, and blue stained colors. Promulgated 1916; rev. 1923.

Gray, spotted and light stained. Promulgated 1922.

Extra white. Promulgated 1926, effective 1927.

American Egyptian (grade and color). Promulgated 1918; rev. 1923.; discontinued 1925 when the 1918 standards were reestablished.

Sea Island (grade and color). Promulgated 1918; discontinued 1925.

Length of staple. Promulgated 1918; original representations rev. 1925. (Note: S.R.A. 92 (Agr. Econ.) contains descriptions of all cotton standards now in force.)

American Cotton Linters. Promulgated 1925, effective 1926. (See S.R.A. 94 (Agr. Econ.)

### Under U. S. Grain Standards Act:

Grain:

Shelled Corn. Promulgated 1916; rev. 1918; amended 1921, 1924.

Wheat. Promulgated 1917; rev. 1918; amended 1921, 1922, 1924.

Oats. Promulgated 1919; amended 1924, 1925.

Rye. Promulgated 1923; amended 1924.

(Handbook U.S.G.S.A. 90 contains descriptions of these standards.)

Grain Sorghums. Promulgated 1924.

Feed Oats. Promulgated 1925.

Mixed Feed Oats. Promulgated 1925.

(Handbook U.S.G.S.A. 161 contains descriptions of these standards.)

Barley. Promulgated 1926.

(See Handbook U.S.G.S.A. 165.)

## Mandatory Standards (Cont.)

### Under U. S. Standard Container Act:

Containers:
Climax baskets. Promulgated 1916.
Berry boxes. Promulgated 1916.
Till baskets. Promulgated 1916.
(See Office of Secretary Cir. 76.)

### Under U. S. Warehouse Act:

Wool:
Diameter of fiber. Promulgated 1923; rev. 1926.*
(See S.R.A. 100 (Agr. Econ.)

(Note: Licensed tobacco warehousemen are required to use tobacco grades which have been devised for the purpose, and licensed sirup warehousemen are required to use standards promulgated by the Bureau of Chemistry for maple and cane sirup. (Office of Secretary Cir. 136.) When storing any commodity for which U. S. grades have been officially promulgated, such grades must be used if the warehouse receipt states the grade. In the absence of official grades the Department approves such grades for use by licensed warehousemen as seem best to meet the needs.)

---

*In 1926, the former seven grades were expanded to twelve and a numerical system of designation was substituted for the grade names formerly used. The new U. S. grades have been correlated with the English Count System of grading. Standards for twelve grades of wool top were also promulgated in 1926.

## Permissive Standards

Under U. S. Grain Standards; used as basis for trading but not officially promulgated and not under Government inspection:

Rice, Milled. Recommended 1918; rev. 1923.
(See Dept. Cir. 291.)
Rice, Rough. Recommended 1923.
(See Dept. Cir. 290.)

Used in services offered under annual appropriation acts covering inspection of fruits, vegetables, hay, and other perishable farm products (shipping point and market inspection); used in extension and demonstration work:

Beans, dry edible (19 classes). Recommended 1926.
(Mimeographed circular.)

Broomcorn. Recommended 1926.
(Mimeographed circular.)

Butter. Recommended 1918.
(See S.R.A. 51 (Markets)

Cheese, American (whole milk). Recommended 1922.
(See Office of Secretary Cir. 157.)

Fruits and Vegetables:
Apples, barreled. Recommended 1918; rev. 1924, 1926.
(See S.R.A. 93 (Agr. Econ.) Amend. 1.)
Artichokes. Recommended 1926.
Asparagus. Recommended 1922; rev. 1925.
Beans, string (wax or green). Recommended 1924.
Beets, bunched. Recommended 1924.
Cabbage. Recommended 1922; rev. 1924.
Cantaloupes. Recommended 1924; rev. 1926.
Carrots, bunched. Recommended 1924; rev. 1925.
Cauliflower. Recommended 1922; rev. 1925.
Celery. Recommended 1922; rev. 1925.
Cherries, sweet. Recommended 1926.
Citrus Fruits. Recommended 1923; rev. 1924.
Corn, green. Recommended 1926.
Cucumbers. Recommended 1922.
Dewberries and Blackberries. Recommended 1926.

## Permissive Standards (Cont.)

Eggplant. Recommended 1925.
Grapes, American, eastern type bunch. Recommended 1925; rev. 1926.
Grapes, table. Recommended 1924; rev. 1926.
Grapes, juice. Recommended 1923; rev. 1926.
Grapes, packed in sawdust or other packing material. Recommended 1925; rev. 1926.
Lettuce. Recommended 1923; rev. 1926.
Onions, Bermuda. Recommended 1918; rev. 1925.
Onions, Creole. Recommended 1926.
Onions, Northern grown. Recommended 1920; rev. 1925.
Peaches. Recommended 1922; rev. 1924.
Peanuts, farmers' stock White Spanish. Recommended 1924; rev. 1925.
Peanuts, white shelled Spanish. Recommended 1923; rev. 1925.
Peanuts, runner. Recommended 1925; rev. 1925.
Pears. Recommended 1924; rev. 1925.
Peas, fresh. Recommended 1926.
Peppers, sweet. Recommended 1923.
Pineapples. Recommended 1924.
Plums and Prunes. Recommended 1923; rev. 1926.
Potatoes. Recommended 1917; rev. 1926.
(See S.R.A. 93. (Agr. Econ.) Amend. 2)
Potatoes, sweet. Recommended 1920; rev. 1926.
Radishes, bunched. Recommended 1926.
Spinach. Recommended 1925; rev. 1925.
Strawberries. Recommended 1918; rev. 1926.
Tomatoes, cannery. Recommended 1923; rev. 1926.
Tomatoes, fresh. Recommended 1918; rev. 1925.
Turnips, bunched. Recommended 1924.
Watermelons. Recommended 1923; rev. 1925.
(Descriptions of these standards for fruits and vegetables appear in mimeographed circulars unless otherwise stated.)

Hay:
Timothy, clover and grass hay. Recommended 1922; promulgated 1925.
Alfalfa and alfalfa mixed hay. Promulgated 1925.
Prairie hay. Promulgated 1925.
Johnson and Johnson mixed hay. Promulgated 1925.
Mixed hay. Promulgated 1925.
(All hay standards in Handbook H.F.S. 540.)

Meats (fresh and frozen carcass beef). Promulgated 1926.
(See S.R.A. (Agr. Econ.) 99 and Dept. Bul. 1246.)

Soybeans. Recommended 1925; rev. 1926.
(Mimeographed circular.)

## Tenative Standards

Used in services offered under annual appropriation acts covering inspection of hay, poultry, butter, and other perishable farm products:

Eggs. Recommended 1923; rev. 1925.
(Mimeographed circular.)

Used in services offered under annual appropriation acts; in market news work; basis for contracts by public institutions:

Meats:
Fresh and frozen veal.
Fresh, frozen, and cured pork.
Fresh and frozen lamb.
Fresh and frozen mutton.
(Mimeographed circulars.)

Used in market news work and educational and demonstration work:

Livestock:
Cattle, slaughter, stockers and feeders.
(See Dept. Bul. 1464. In press.)
Calves, slaughter and stockers.
(Mimeographed circular.)
Hogs, slaughter, stockers and feeders.
Sheep, slaughter, stockers and feeders.
Lambs, slaughter, stockers and feeders.
(Not yet available for distribution.)

Standard schedule of market classes and grades of cattle, calves, hogs, sheep, and lambs.
(See Dept. Bul. 1360.)